FIRST REGULAR SESSION

House Concurrent Resolution No. 7

97TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVES PFAUTSCH (Sponsor), JONES (110), DIEHL, HOUGHTON, SWAN, MOLENDORP, CORNEJO, WOOD, SPENCER, GANNON, KOLKMEYER, RIDDLE, WIELAND, BRATTIN, FITZPATRICK, PIKE, LYNCH, ROWDEN, KEENEY, ENTLICHER, HAMPTON, ANDERSON, COOKSON, HURST, FRAKER, MESSENGER, MCNEIL, SWEARINGEN, ELLINGTON, MITTEN, HODGES, SOLON, HAEFNER, SCHARNHORST, MILLER, LAFAVER AND REHDER (Co-sponsors).

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WHEREAS, the State of Missouri has a rich and complex history; and

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3 4	WHEREAS , the lives of Missourians are enriched by a broad and deep understanding of that history; and
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6 7	WHEREAS , the State of Missouri was formally admitted into the Union of the United States of America on August 10,1821; and
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9 10	WHEREAS , the year 2021 marks the bicentennial of the State of Missouri's admission into the Union; and
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12 13 14	WHEREAS , commemorative events drawing attention to the passage of historical milestones offer significant opportunities for generating interest in documenting and celebrating the exceptionalism of a state's history; and
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16 17 18	WHEREAS , the Missouri General Assembly, through Chapter 183 of the Revised Statutes of Missouri, authorized the State Historical Society of Missouri to act as a "trustee" of the state's history; and
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20 21 22	WHEREAS , the State Historical Society of Missouri is responsible for collecting, preserving and sharing the materials for the study of the history of Missouri and the heritage of Missourians; and

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242526	WHEREAS , since its creation in 1898, the State Historical Society of Missouri has become the premier institution for the study and celebration of Missouri state and local history and aspires to build the Center for Missouri Studies; and
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28 29	WHEREAS , statewide commemorations require significant preparation and planning over multiple years:
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31 32 33 34	NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the members of the House of Representatives of the Ninety-seventh General Assembly, First Regular Session, the Senate concurring therein, hereby direct the State Historical Society of Missouri to develop plans, ideas and proposals to commemorate and celebrate the State of Missouri's bicentennial; and
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36 37 38 39	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the State Historical Society of Missouri ready itself to provide guidance and direction to a statewide effort to promote and celebrate the State of Missouri's rich and complex history through and beyond a bicentennial celebration in the year 2021; and
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41 42 43	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for the State Historical Society of Missouri.
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